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# ANNUAL REPORT CORONER

LOS ANGELES COUNTY CALIFORNIA

Ben H. Brown, Coroner

FISCAL YEAR

JULY 1, 1944

JUNE 30, 1945

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REPORT OF FRANK A. NANCE  
LOS ANGELES COUNTY CORONER  
FOR FISCAL YEAR 1943-44

JULY	1943	521	
AUGUST	1943	554	
SEPTEMBER	1943	562	
OCTOBER	1943	494	
NOVEMBER	1943	575	
DECEMBER	1943	751	
JANUARY	1944	658	
FEBRUARY	1944	613	
MARCH	1944	609	
APRIL	1944	532	
MAY	1944	521	
JUNE	1944	499	
		TOTAL	<u>6889</u>

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MALE	4500	
FEMALE	2389	
	TOTAL	<u>6889</u>

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IN THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES	4322	
IN THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES O/S L.A. CITY	2567	
	TOTAL	<u>6889</u>

A N N U A L R E P O R T  
OF THE  
C O R O N E R  
County of Los Angeles, California  
Fiscal Year Ending  
June 30, 1945

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Honorable Board of Supervisors  
County of Los Angeles  
Los Angeles, California

Gentlemen:

In compliance with the provisions of Article III, Section 77 of the Administrative Code, the office of the Coroner of the County of Los Angeles, presents herewith its Annual Report for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1945.

This report contains a statistical record and financial report of the year's activities, a survey of which shows a total increase of 926 cases, or 13 per cent. over the previous fiscal year. This includes an increase of 150 traffic deaths, 48 suicides, 11 homicides and 31 airplane deaths, while industrial and miscellaneous accidental deaths show very little increase.

Deaths due to alcoholism have almost tripled. Death by natural causes represents 68 per cent. of all cases handled.

The location of the increases in business is primarily in the suburban districts, indicating that the population increase in Los Angeles County has been distributed accordingly.

Not only has the case load increased, but demands for better and more extensive scientific search into the causes of death have been presented to this office by individuals and law enforcement agencies, especially in the laboratory field, which seem to be well founded due to many new poisons being continually discovered, and the rapid advance of science in the medico-legal field as applied to law enforcement and determination of criminal deaths.

The County was fortunate in having experienced no great disaster or epidemic of disease during the fiscal year.

Yours very truly,

BEN H. BROWN, Coroner

BHB/VLW

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REPORT OF BEN H. BROWN  
LOS ANGELES COUNTY CORONER  
FOR FISCAL YEAR 1944-45

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LOS ANGELES COUNTY CORONER  
FOR FISCAL YEAR 1944-45

JULY	1944	503	
AUGUST	1944	575	
SEPTEMBER	1944	557	
OCTOBER	1944	658	
NOVEMBER	1944	681	
DECEMBER	1944	736	
JANUARY	1945	769	
FEBRUARY	1945	597	
MARCH	1945	815	
APRIL	1945	633	
MAY	1945	629	
JUNE	1945	<u>562</u>	
		TOTAL	<u>7715</u>
* * * * *			
MALE		5019	
FEMALE		<u>2696</u>	
		TOTAL	<u>7715</u>
* * * * *			
IN THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES		4995	
IN THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES O/S		<u>2720</u>	
LOS ANGELES CITY		TOTAL	<u>7715</u>



CLASSIFICATION OF DEATHS  
HANDLED BY CORONER

ACCIDENTAL DEATHS:	41	
AIRPLANE	5	
ASPHYXIATION	103	
BURNS	10	
CRUSHING	56	
DROWNING	60	
ELECTRIC RAILWAY	3	
ELECTROCUTION	402	
FALLS	20	
FIREARMS	107	
HEAD INJURIES	138	
INDUSTRIAL	16	
INFECTION	30	
MISCELLANEOUS	910	
MOTOR VEHICLE	149	
POISONING (ALCOHOLISM 37)	25	
STEAM RAILWAY	11	
STRANGULATION	<u>33</u>	
SUFFOCATION		2119
	TOTAL	
ABORTIONS	10	
HOMICIDES	153	
NATURAL CAUSES	4824	
PREMATURE BIRTHS	34	
STILLBORN	44	
SUICIDES	508	
UNKNOWN	<u>23</u>	
	TOTAL	5596
	GRAND TOTAL	<u>7715</u>

TRAFFIC FATALITIES

		<u>MOTOR VEHICLES</u>	<u>ELECTRIC RY.</u>	<u>STEAM RY.</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
JULY	1944	61	5	4	70
AUGUST	1944	77	4	1	82
SEPTEMBER	1944	76	7	2	85
OCTOBER	1944	64	4	1	69
NOVEMBER	1944	75	7	1	83
DECEMBER	1944	104	3	2	109
JANUARY	1945	74	10	3	87
FEBRUARY	1945	80	1	2	83
MARCH	1945	90	5	4	99
APRIL	1945	71	4	3	78
MAY	1945	68	4	1	73
JUNE	1945	<u>70</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>77</u>
TOTALS		910	60	25	995

IN ABOVE CLASSIFICATION "MOTOR VEHICLES"  
 INCLUDES ALL FATALITIES IN WHICH A MOTOR  
 VEHICLE IS INVOLVED. "ELECTRIC AND STEAM  
 RAILWAY" INCLUDES ONLY THOSE CASES IN WHICH  
 A PEDESTRIAN, PASSENGER OR EMPLOYEE IS KILLED.



TRAFFIC FATALITIESPEDESTRIANS

JULY	1944	28	
AUGUST	1944	35	
SEPTEMBER	1944	38	
OCTOBER	1944	36	
NOVEMBER	1944	43	
DECEMBER	1944	69	
JANUARY	1945	41	
FEBRUARY	1945	41	
MARCH	1945	44	
APRIL	1945	39	
MAY	1945	30	
JUNE	1945	<u>37</u>	
	TOTAL		<u>481</u>
* * * * *			
MALE		352	
FEMALE		<u>129</u>	
	TOTAL		<u>481</u>
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IN THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES		264	
IN THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES O/S L. A. CITY		215	
OUTSIDE OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY		1	
LOCATION UNKNOWN		<u>1</u>	
	TOTAL		<u>481</u>

TRAFFIC FATALITIES  
PEDESTRIAN

AGES

1	to	2	Years	2	
2	to	5	Years	25	
5	to	10	Years	22	
10	to	20	Years	18	
20	to	45	Years	119	
45	to	65	Years	169	
65	Years and Over			<u>126</u>	
TOTAL					<u>481</u>

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AT AN INTERSECTION	206	
NOT AT AN INTERSECTION	274	
UNKNOWN	<u>1</u>	
TOTAL		<u>481</u>

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A.M. (MIDNIGHT TO NOON)	137	
P.M. (NOON TO MIDNIGHT)	340	
UNKNOWN TIME	<u>4</u>	
TOTAL		<u>481</u>

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NATURE

AUTO AND PEDESTRIAN	405	
BUS AND PEDESTRIAN	19	
FIRE TRUCK AND PEDESTRIAN	1	
JEEP AND PEDESTRIAN	1	
MOTORCYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN	6	
TAXICAB AND PEDESTRIAN	4	
TRUCK AND PEDESTRIAN	43	
TRUCK AND TRAILER AND PEDESTRIAN	1	
WHEEL OF TRUCK AND PEDESTRIAN	<u>1</u>	
TOTAL		<u>481</u>

TRAFFIC FATALITIES  
PEDESTRIAN  
CAUSES

CROSSING STREET NOT AT INTERSECTION	113
CROSSING STREET CARELESSLY	98
PLAYING IN STREET	9
RUNNING IN STREET	23
WALKING IN STREET	13
BACKING	13
INCOMPETENT HANDLING	44
RECKLESS DRIVING	110
DEFECTIVE EQUIPMENT	4
AFTER FALLING FROM ANOTHER CAR	1
HITCH HIJING	1
RUNNING ON HIGHWAY	1
THROWN FROM AND RUN OVER BY TRUCK	1
WALKING ON HIGHWAY	3
CHANGING TIRE ON HIGHWAY	2
AFTER FALLING FROM TRUCK	2
LYING IN STREET	2
PLAYING IN DRIVEWAY	2
RUNAWAY DRIVERLESS TRUCK	3
RIGHT-OF-WAY VIOLATED	1
CROSSING HIGHWAY CARELESSLY	1
ATTEMPTING TO BOARD MOVING TRUCK	1
STANDING IN STREET	4
THROWN FROM OR STRUCK BY AUTO	1
AFTER FALLING FROM STREET CAR	1
AFTER FALLING FROM BICYCLE	1
WHEEL CAME OFF TRUCK	1
ATTEMPTING TO ALIGHT FROM MOVING TRUCK	1
ACCIDENTAL OR SUICIDAL UNDETERMINED	1
WALKED INTO SIDE OF TRAILER	1
UNABLE TO FIX RESPONSIBILITY	19
UNKNOWN	3
TOTAL	<u>481</u>



TRAFFIC FATALITIES  
PEDESTRIANS

HELD RESPONSIBLE BY CORONER'S JURY:

MALE DRIVERS	102	
FEMALE DRIVERS	8	
UNKNOWN DRIVERS	<u>55</u>	165

EXONERATED BY CORONER'S JURY:

MALE DRIVERS	230	
FEMALE DRIVERS	<u>29</u>	259

JURY UNABLE TO DETERMINE RESPONSIBILITY: 19

CASES IN WHICH NO INQUEST WAS HELD:

MALE DRIVERS	31	
FEMALE DRIVERS	3	
DRIVERLESS CAR	2	
UNKNOWN DRIVER	<u>2</u>	<u>38</u>
TOTAL		<u>481</u>

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HIT AND RUN CASES	76
HAD BEEN DRINKING (PEDESTRIANS)	52
HAD BEEN DRINKING (DRIVERS)	9

TRAFFIC FATALITIESCOLLISION AND NON-COLLISION

JULY	1944	33	
AUGUST	1944	42	
SEPTEMBER	1944	38	
OCTOBER	1944	28	
NOVEMBER	1944	32	
DECEMBER	1944	35	
JANUARY	1945	33	
FEBRUARY	1945	39	
MARCH	1945	46	
APRIL	1945	32	
MAY	1945	38	
JUNE	1945	<u>33</u>	
	TOTAL		<u>429</u>

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MALE	310	
FEMALE	<u>119</u>	
	TOTAL	<u>429</u>

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IN THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES	144	
IN THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES O/S L. A. CITY	272	
O/S LOS ANGELES COUNTY: DEATH IN L. A. COUNTY	12	
UNKNOWN LOCATION	<u>1</u>	
	TOTAL	<u>429</u>

TRAFFIC FATALITIES  
COLLISION AND NON-COLLISION  
AGES

UNDER ONE YEAR	3	
2 to 5 Years	9	
5 to 10 Years	6	
10 to 20 Years	80	
20 to 45 Years	207	
45 to 65 Years	93	
65 YEARS AND OVER	<u>31</u>	
TOTAL		<u>429</u>

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AT AN INTERSECTION	239	
NOT AT AN INTERSECTION	187	
UNKNOWN LOCATION	<u>3</u>	
TOTAL		<u>429</u>

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A.M. (MIDNIGHT TO NOON)	131	
P.M. (NOON TO MIDNIGHT)	278	
UNKNOWN TIME	<u>20</u>	
TOTAL		<u>429</u>



TRAFFIC FATALITIES  
COLLISION AND NON-COLLISION  
NATURE

## COLLISION:

AUTO AND AUTO	91
AUTO AND AUTO AND AUTO	1
AUTO AND AUTOETTE	2
AUTO AND ARMY AMBULANCE	1
AUTO AND ARMY TRUCK	2
AUTO AND ARMY TRUCK AND TRAILER	1
AUTO AND BARRICADE	1
AUTO AND BICYCLE	17
AUTO AND BUS	6
AUTO AND CURB	1
AUTO AND CULVERT	2
AUTO AND DRIVER	1
AUTO AND ELECTRIC RAILWAY	43
AUTO AND EMBANKMENT	3
AUTO AND JEEP	1
AUTO AND MOTORCYCLE	24
AUTO AND MOTOR SCOOTER	1
AUTO AND PARKED CAR	1
AUTO AND PARKED TRUCK	1
AUTO AND POLE	17
AUTO AND POST	3
AUTO AND STEAM RAILWAY	22
AUTO AND STOP SIGNAL	1
AUTO AND TAXI	1
AUTO AND TREE	13
AUTO AND TRUCK	43
AUTO AND WALL	1
AUTO AND TRICYCLE	1
BUS AND GUARDRAIL	1
BUS AND TRUCK	1
DRIVERLESS CAR AND BABY BUGGY	1
JEEP AND TRUCK	1
MOTORCYCLE AND CURB	2
MOTORCYCLE AND ELECTRIC RAILWAY	3
MOTORCYCLE AND EMBANKMENT	1
MOTORCYCLE AND GUARDRAIL	1
MOTORCYCLE AND HORSE	1
MOTORCYCLE AND MOTORCYCLE	1
MOTORCYCLE AND PLATFORM	1
MOTORCYCLE AND PARKED CAR	1
MOTORCYCLE AND PARKED MOTORCYCLE	1
MOTORCYCLE AND POLE	2
MOTORCYCLE AND TREE	1
MOTORCYCLE AND STEAM RAILWAY	1
MOTORCYCLE AND TRUCK	1

TRAFFIC FATALITIES  
COLLISION AND NON-COLLISION  
NATURE (CONTINUED)

## COLLISION:

TAXI AND BUILDING	1	
TAXI AND TREE	1	
TRUCK AND BICYCLE	3	
TRUCK AND ELECTRIC RAILWAY	4	
TRUCK AND EMBANKMENT	2	
TRUCK AND GUARDRAIL	1	
TRUCK AND MOTORCYCLE	2	
TRUCK AND MOTOR SCOOTER	1	
TRUCK AND PARKED AUTO	1	
TRUCK AND PARKED TRUCK	1	
TRUCK AND STEAM RAILWAY	6	
TRUCK AND TRUCK	4	
UNKNOWN	1	
	<u>1</u>	
TOTAL		351

## NON-COLLISION:

AUTO OVERTURNED	47	
MOTORCYCLE OVERTURNED	5	
TRUCK OVERTURNED	10	
FALL FROM MOVING VEHICLE	16	
	<u>16</u>	
TOTAL		<u>78</u>
TOTAL		<u>429</u>

TRAFFIC FATALITIES  
COLLISION AND NON-COLLISION  
CAUSES

COLLISION:

INCOMPETENT HANDLING	64	
RECKLESS DRIVING	64	
RIGHT-OF-WAY VIOLATED	63	
MOTORIST'S NEGLIGENCE AT RAILWAY CROSSING	59	
LOST CONTROL	43	
TRUCK STALLED ON TRAIN TRACK	1	
DRIVER ASLEEP	3	
STRUCK HEAD ON WINDSHIELD	1	
DEFECTIVE EQUIPMENT	4	
HITCH RIDING	1	
SKIDDING	5	
IMPROPER PARKING	3	
INTERFERENCE WITH DRIVER	1	
UNABLE TO FIX RESPONSIBILITY	31	
UNKNOWN	8	351

NON-COLLISION:

LOST CONTROL	54	
RECKLESS DRIVING	7	
IMPROPER RIDING	3	
FELL THROUGH DOOR	3	
THROWN FROM SCOOTER	1	
LOST BALANCE	1	
CHILD FELL FROM CAR	1	
CHASING SPEEDER	1	
TIRE BLEW OUT	1	
SKIDDING	1	
COLLECTING GARBAGE	1	
AVOIDING COLLISION	1	
INTOXICATION	1	
UNKNOWN	2	78

TOTAL

429



TRAFFIC FATALITIES  
COLLISION AND NON-COLLISION

HELD RESPONSIBLE BY CORONER'S JURY:

MALE DRIVERS	99	
FEMALE DRIVERS	11	
UNKNOWN DRIVERS	2	
TRAIN CREWS	<u>8</u>	120

EXONERATED BY CORONER'S JURY:

MALE DRIVERS	74	
FEMALE DRIVERS	8	
TRAIN CREWS	<u>60</u>	142

JURY UNABLE TO DETERMINE RESPONSIBILITY: 32

CASES IN WHICH NO INQUEST WAS HELD:

MALE DRIVERS	115	
FEMALE DRIVERS	17	
UNKNOWN	<u>3</u>	<u>135</u>
TOTAL		<u>429</u>

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HAD BEEN DRINKING 33

TRAFFIC FATALITIESELECTRIC RAILWAY

JULY	1944	5	
AUGUST	1944	4	
SEPTEMBER	1944	7	
OCTOBER	1944	4	
NOVEMBER	1944	7	
DECEMBER	1944	3	
JANUARY	1945	10	
FEBRUARY	1945	1	
MARCH	1945	5	
APRIL	1945	4	
MAY	1945	4	
JUNE	1945	6	
	TOTAL	<u>60</u>	<u>60</u>

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MALE	44	
FEMALE	16	
	TOTAL	<u>60</u>

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IN THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES	45	
IN THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES O/S L. A. CITY	15	
	TOTAL	<u>60</u>

TRAFFIC FATALITIES  
ELECTRIC RAILWAY

AGES

20	to	45	Years	24	
45	to	65	Years	16	
65			Years and Over	20	
TOTAL				60	60

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NATURE

ELECTRIC RAILWAY AND PEDESTRIAN	53	
ELECTRIC RAILWAY AND PASSENGER	5	
ELECTRIC RAILWAY AND EMPLOYEE	2	
TOTAL	60	60

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CAUSES

CROSSING RIGHT-OF-WAY CARELESSLY	32	
ATTEMPTING TO BOARD MOVING STREET CAR	3	
ACCIDENTAL OR SUICIDAL UNDETERMINED	3	
WALKING ON RIGHT-OF-WAY	3	
INTOXICATED - LYING ON RIGHT-OF-WAY	2	
CROSSING STREET CARELESSLY	3	
UNABLE TO FIX RESPONSIBILITY	3	
INCOMPETENT HANDLING BY MOTORMAN	1	
FALL FROM STREET CAR	3	
WORKING ON TRACKS	2	
CONFUSED IN TRAFFIC	1	
IMPROPER LIGHTING	1	
ATTEMPTING TO ALIGHT FROM MOVING STREET CAR	1	
CROSSING STREET AGAINST SIGNAL	1	
SITTING ON RIGHT-OF-WAY	1	
TOTAL	60	60



TRAFFIC FATALITIES  
STEAM RAILWAY

JULY	1944	4	
AUGUST	1944	1	
SEPTEMBER	1944	2	
OCTOBER	1944	1	
NOVEMBER	1944	1	
DECEMBER	1944	2	
JANUARY	1945	3	
FEBRUARY	1945	2	
MARCH	1945	4	
APRIL	1945	3	
MAY	1945	1	
JUNE	1945	<u>1</u>	
	TOTAL		<u>25</u>

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MALE		<u>25</u>	
	TOTAL		<u>25</u>

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IN THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES	12	
IN THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES O/S L. A. CITY	12	
OUTSIDE OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY	<u>1</u>	
	TOTAL	<u>25</u>

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AGES

20	to	45	Years	12	
45	to	65	Years	11	
65	Years and Over			<u>2</u>	
			TOTAL		<u>25</u>

TRAFFIC FATALITIES  
STEAM RAILWAY  
NATURE

STEAM RAILWAY AND PEDESTRIAN	14		
STEAM RAILWAY AND EMPLOYEE		<u>11</u>	
TOTAL			<u><u>25</u></u>

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CAUSES

CROSSING RIGHT-OF-WAY CARELESSLY	9		
WHILE SWITCHING	5		
WORKING ON RIGHT-OF-WAY	3		
WALKING ON RIGHT-OF-WAY	1		
WHETHER ACCIDENTAL OR SUICIDAL UNDETERMINED	1		
ATTEMPTING TO BOARD MOVING FREIGHT TRAIN	1		
LYING ON RIGHT-OF-WAY	1		
FELL FROM TRAIN AND RUN OVER	1		
CRUSHED BETWEEN TRAIN AND GONDOLA	1		
COLLISION OF STEAM ENGINES	1		
UNKNOWN	<u>1</u>		
TOTAL			<u><u>25</u></u>

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SUMMARY OF TRAFFIC FATALITIES

	<u>MALE</u>	<u>FEMALE</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
MOTOR VEHICLES	662	248	910
ELECTRIC RAILWAY	44	16	60
STEAM RAILWAY	<u>25</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>25</u>
GRAND TOTAL	731	264	995

INDUSTRIAL FATALITIES

JULY	1944	16	
AUGUST	1944	11	
SEPTEMBER	1944	9	
OCTOBER	1944	16	
NOVEMBER	1944	10	
DECEMBER	1944	14	
JANUARY	1945	15	
FEBRUARY	1945	12	
MARCH	1945	9	
APRIL	1945	4	
MAY	1945	12	
JUNE	1945	10	
		TOTAL	<u>138</u>

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MALE	133	
FEMALE	5	
	TOTAL	<u>138</u>

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IN THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES	73	
IN THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES O/S L. A. CITY	65	
	TOTAL	<u>138</u>

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AGES

10	to	20	Years	4	
20	to	45	Years	64	
45	to	65	Years	57	
65	Years and Over			13	
				TOTAL	<u>138</u>

INDUSTRIAL FATALITIESNATURE

ANIMAL INJURIES	2
ASPHYXIATION	2
BODILY INJURY	8
BURNS	27
CRUSHING	18
DECAPITATION	1
DROWNING	4
ELECTROCUTION	13
FALLS	10
FRACTURED BACK	3
FRACTURED LEG	1
FRACTURED VERTEBRA	1
HEAD INJURY	39
INFECTION	4
POISONING	3
SUFFOCATION	<u>2</u>
TOTAL	<u>138</u>



INDUSTRIAL FATALITIES  
CAUSES

ANIMAL INJURIES:

GORED BY BULL  
KICKED BY PIG WHILE LOADING

1  
1      2

ASPHYXIATION:

INHALATION OF BURNING GASOLINE

2      2

BODILY INJURY:

FALL FROM BUILDING  
FALL FROM SCAFFOLD  
FALL FROM TRACTOR  
FALL INTO BOWLING PIT  
HIT BY METAL SPAR  
STRUCK BY AIRPLANE PROPELLOR  
STRUCK BY PIECE OF LUMBER

1  
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1  
1  
1  
1  
2      8

BURNS:

BURNING GASOLINE  
BURSTING OF STEAM PIPE  
CLOTHING IGNITED FROM OIL  
CLOTHING IGNITED WHILE WELDING  
CONTACT WITH LIVE WIRE  
EXPLOSION OF ACETYLENE TORCH  
EXPLOSION OF BOILER  
EXPLOSION OF CHEMICALS  
EXPLOSION OF FILMS  
EXPLOSION OF FURNACE  
EXPLOSION OF GAS  
EXPLOSION OF GASOLINE  
EXPLOSION OF GAS TRAP  
EXPLOSION OF OIL  
EXPLOSION OF OIL FUMES  
EXPLOSION OF PAINT THINNER  
FLARE UP OF MAGNESIUM  
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INDUSTRIAL FATALITIES  
CAUSES, CONTINUED

CRUSHING:

CAUGHT IN CHEESE GRINDER	1	
CAUGHT IN CONVEYOR	1	
CAUGHT IN HAY BAILER	1	
CAUGHT IN MACHINERY	2	
CAVE-IN WHILE DIGGING	1	
EXPLOSION OF GAS TRAP	1	
FALL FROM SCAFFOLD	1	
FALLING OF STEEL BEAM	1	
HIT BY MOVING CRANE	1	
RUN OVER BY SPRAY MACHINE	1	
STRUCK BY CRANE	1	
STRUCK BY FALLING BEAM	1	
STRUCK BY FALLING CASTINGS	1	
STRUCK BY FALLING LUMBER	1	
STRUCK BY FALLING OIL WELL BOOM	1	
STRUCK BY FALLING PIPE	1	
STRUCK BY FALLING POLE	<u>1</u>	18

DECAPATATION:

CAUGHT IN METAL CRUSHING MACHINE	<u>1</u>	1
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DROWNING:

FALL FROM DOCK	2	
ROWBOAT OVERTURNED	1	
FELL INTO WATER WHILE LOADING	<u>1</u>	4

ELECTROCUTION:

CONTACT WITH ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT	1	
CONTACT WITH LIVE WIRE	9	
STEPPED ON RUNNING BOARD OF TRUCK CHARGED	1	
WITH ELECTRICITY	1	
UNABLE TO DETERMINE RESPONSIBILITY	1	
WHILE REPAIRING INSULATION	<u>1</u>	13

FALLS:

AGAINST BENCH - LOST BALANCE	1	
CARRYING HEAVY LOAD OF DISHES	1	
DUE TO ILLNESS	1	
FROM SCAFFOLD	1	
FROM SCAFFOLD - STRUCK GUY WIRE	1	
FROM POLE - SAFETY BELT BROKE	1	
LOST BALANCE ON BUILDING	1	
SLIPPED ON FLOOR	1	
WHILE PAINTING	1	
WHILE WORKING ON DECK OF SHIP	<u>1</u>	10

INDUSTRIAL FATALITIES  
CAUSES, CONTINUED

FRACTURED BACK:

FELL INTO HOLD OF SHIP	1	
STRUCK BY FALLING BEAM	1	
STRUCK BY PIECE OF TIMBER	<u>1</u>	3

FRACTURED LEG:

UNKNOWN	<u>1</u>	1
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FRACTURED VERTEBRA:

FALL FROM PIER	<u>1</u>	1
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HEAD INJURIES:

CAUGHT UNDER PILE OF PLASTIC BOARDS	1	
DUE TO FALL	2	
EXPLOSION OF GAS OVEN	1	
FALL DOWN ELEVATOR SHAFT	1	
FALL DOWN HATCH	1	
FALL FROM BREAKWATER	1	
FALL FROM CRANE	1	
FALL FROM ELECTRIC STACKER	1	
FALL FROM GANG PLANK	1	
FALL FROM LADDER	2	
FALL FROM OIL RIG	1	
FALL FROM PLATFORM	1	
FALL FROM POLE	1	
FALL FROM SCAFFOLD	8	
FALL FROM STANDING TRUCK	1	
FALL FROM WING OF AIRPLANE	2	
FALL INTO GREASE PIT	1	
FALL TO FLOOR	1	
STRUCK BY AIRPLANE PROPELLOR	1	
STRUCK BY FALLING BOOM	1	
STRUCK BY FALLING SCAFFOLD	1	
STRUCK BY FALLING BRICKS	1	
STRUCK BY FALLING HOIST	1	
STRUCK BY FALLING TANK	2	
STRUCK BY FALLING SPRAY TOWER	1	
STRUCK BY RELEASE LEVER	1	
STRUCK BY WINDLASS	1	
STRUCK HEAD ON UNDERPASS WHILE RIDING ON TRUCK	<u>1</u>	39



INDUSTRIAL FATALITIES  
CAUSES, CONTINUED

INFECTION:

CUT BY GLASS - SEPTICEMIA DEVELOPED	1	
INJURED KNEE - SEPTICEMIA DEVELOPED	1	
STRUCK BY BOARD - PERITONITUS DEVELOPED	1	
THORN IN HAND - CELLULITIS DEVELOPED	<u>1</u>	4

POISONING:

CARBON MONOXIDE - FUMES FROM CISTERN	1	
CARBON MONOXIDE - LEAKAGE FROM TANK ON SHIP	1	
HYDROGEN SULFATE - EXPOSED TO FUMES	<u>1</u>	3

SUFFOCATION:

CAVE-IN OF DITCH	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>
TOTAL		<u><u>138</u></u>



MISCELLANEOUS ACCIDENTAL FATALITIES

JULY	1944	53	
AUGUST	1944	60	
SEPTEMBER	1944	70	
OCTOBER	1944	69	
NOVEMBER	1944	90	
DECEMBER	1944	85	
JANUARY	1945	88	
FEBRUARY	1945	82	
MARCH	1945	92	
APRIL	1945	69	
MAY	1945	68	
JUNE	1945	<u>82</u>	
	TOTAL		<u>908</u>
* * * * *			
MALE		484	
FEMALE		<u>424</u>	
	TOTAL		<u>908</u>
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IN THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES		504	
IN TH E COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES O/S L. A. CITY		383	
OUTSIDE OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY		6	
UNKNOWN LOCATION		<u>15</u>	
	TOTAL		<u>908</u>

MISCELLANEOUS ACCIDENTAL FATALITIESAGES

UNDER ONE YEAR	44	
1 to 2 Years	29	
2 to 5 Years	24	
5 to 10 Years	35	
10 to 20 Years	42	
20 to 45 Years	143	
45 to 65 Years	167	
65 YEARS AND OVER	422	
UNKNOWN AGE	2	
	TOTAL	<u>908</u>

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NATURE

ANIMAL INJURIES	3	
ASPHYXIATION	5	
BURNS	103	
CRUSHING	10	
CUTTING	1	
DROWNING	56	
ELECTROCUTION	3	
FALLS	402	
FIREARMS	20	
HEAD INJURIES	107	
INFECTION	16	
MISCELLANEOUS	25	
POISONING	112	
STRANGULATION	11	
SUFFOCATION	33	
UNKNOWN CAUSE	1	
	TOTAL	<u>908</u>

MISCELLANEOUS ACCIDENTAL FATALITIESCAUSESANIMAL INJURY:

BABY'S HEAD BITTEN BY DOG	1	
BITTEN BY DOG	1	
KICKED BY HORSE	1	3

ASPHYXIATION:

GAS HEATER IN CLOSED ROOM	1	
FUMES FROM BURNING HOUSE	1	
ILLUMINATING GAS - WHETHER ACCIDENTAL OR SUICIDAL UNDETERMINED	2	
INHALATION OF BURNING GASOLINE	1	5

BURNS:

ATTEMPTING TO PUT OUT FIRE IN GARAGE	1
BABY SCALDED IN BATHTUB	1
BABY TURNED ON HOT WATER	1
BEDDING IGNITED BY CIGARETTE	11
BEDDING IGNITED BY ELECTRIC HEATER	2
CHILD PLAYING WITH MATCHES	1
CLOTHING IGNITED FROM BONFIRE	2
CLOTHING IGNITED FROM BURNING RUBBISH	1
CLOTHING IGNITED FROM CIGARETTE	2
CLOTHING IGNITED FROM CLEANING FLUID	1
CLOTHING IGNITED FROM ELECTRIC HEATER	3
CLOTHING IGNITED FROM FIREPLACE	1
CLOTHING IGNITED FROM GAS HEATER	16
CLOTHING IGNITED FROM MATCHES	1
CLOTHING IGNITED FROM STOVE	4
DAVENPORT IGNITED BY CIGARETTE	1
EXPLOSION OF GAS HEATER	1
EXPLOSION OF GASOLINE	1
EXPLOSION OF KEROSENE STOVE	1
EXPLOSION OF OIL STOVE	1
EXPLOSION OF RUBBING ALCOHOL	1
FELL AGAINST WATER HEATER	1
FELL INTO BASIN OF HOT WATER	1
FELL INTO INCINERATOR	1
FELL INTO TUB OF HOT WATER	1
FELL ON FLOOR FURNACE	1
NIGHTGOWN IGNITED FROM GAS HEATER	2
OVERHEATING OF HEATING PAD	1
OVERTURNED KETTLE OF HOT WATER ON SELF	1

MISCELLANEOUS ACCIDENTAL FATALITIESCAUSES, CONTINUEDBURNS, Cont'd.

PLAYING WITH CIGARETTE LIGHTER	1	
PLAYING WITH GASOLINE DRUM	1	
PLAYING WITH MATCHES	2	
SCALDED BY EXPLOSION OF GAS STOVE	1	
SCALDED BY HOT WATER IN DISH PAN	1	
SMOKING IN BED	1	
TIPPED HOT WATER ON SELF	1	
TRAPPED IN BURNING BUILDING	31	
TRAPPED IN BURNING TENT	1	103

CRUSHING:

AUTO FELL ON CHEST	1	
CAUGHT BETWEEN TRACTOR AND TREE	1	
CAUGHT UNDER FALLING HORSE	1	
COLLAPSE OF INCINERATOR	1	
FALL FROM ROLLER COASTER	1	
STRUCK BY FALLING FLOWER BOX	1	
STRUCK BY FALLING STEEL	1	
STRUCK BY FALLING TREE	1	
TRACTOR OVERTURNED	2	10

CUTTING:

EXPLOSION OF SPRAY GUN	1	1
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DROWNING:

AFTER SINKING OF BOAT	1
BABY IN BATH TUB	1
BABY IN TOILET BOWL - WHETHER ACCIDENTAL OR HOMICIDAL UNDETERMINED	1
BOAT CAPSIZED	3
CANOE UPSET	1
CRAMPS WHILE SWIMMING	1
EPILEPTIC SEIZURE IN BATH TUB	1
EPILEPTIC SEIZURE WHILE SWIMMING	1
EXHAUSTED WHILE SWIMMING	2
FAINTING IN BATH TUB	1
FALL FROM BOAT	2
FALL FROM CANOE	1
FALL FROM RAFT	4
FELL IN BATH TUB	3
FELL INTO CANAL	1



MISCELLANEOUS ACCIDENTAL FATALITIESCAUSES, CONTINUEDDROWNING, Cont'd.

FELL INTO DITCH	3	
FELL INTO FISH POND	2	
FELL INTO IRRIGATING DITCH	1	
FELL INTO LAKE WHILE PLAYING	3	
FELL INTO OCEAN	1	
FELL INTO POOL WHILE PLAYING	2	
FELL INTO RIVER WHILE PLAYING	1	
FELL INTO RESERVOIR	1	
FELL INTO STORM DRAIN	1	
FELL INTO SWIMMING POOL	1	
FELL INTO WASH WHILE PLAYING	1	
HEART ATTACK IN BATH TUB	1	
INABILITY TO SWIM	2	
LOST CONTROL OF CAR AND HURLED INTO OCEAN	1	
MOTHER HAD MISCARRIAGE IN TOILET BOWL	1	
UNKNOWN	4	
WADING IN LAKE	1	
WASHED OFF ROCK WHILE FISHING	1	
WHETHER ACCIDENTAL OR SUICIDAL UNDETERMINED	3	
WHILE SWIMMING	1	56

ELECTROCUTION:

BABY CONTACTED LIVE WIRE	1	
CONTACT WITH LIVE WIRE	1	
ELECTRIC HEATER FELL INTO BATH TUB	1	3

FALLS:

AGAINST STONE: OLD AGE	1	
DOWN ELEVATOR SHAFT: BACKED INTO OPEN SHAFT	1	
DOWN EMBANKMENT: OLD AGE	1	
DOWNSTAIRS: BLINDNESS	1	
DOWNSTAIRS: ILL HEALTH	2	
DOWNSTAIRS: INTOXICATION	1	
DOWNSTAIRS: LOST BALANCE	1	
DOWNSTAIRS: OLD AGE	17	
DOWNSTAIRS: SLIPPED ON STAIRS	1	
DOWNSTAIRS: TRIPPED OVER DOG	1	
DOWNSTAIRS: TRIPPED OVER OBJECT	2	
FROM BARREL: SLIPPED	1	
FROM BED: OLD AGE	1	
FROM BICYCLE: UNKNOWN	2	
FROM BUILDING: FELL OR JUMPED	1	
FROM BUILDING: INTOXICATED	2	
FROM BUILDING: LOST BALANCE	1	
FROM BUILDING: MAKING REPAIRS	1	
FROM BUILDING: ACCIDENTAL OR SUICIDAL UNDETER.	6	

MISCELLANEOUS ACCIDENTAL FATALITIESCAUSES, CONTINUEDFALLS, Cont'd.

FROM FENCE: OLD AGE	1
FROM LADDER: OLD AGE	1
FROM LADDER: WHILE PLAYING	1
FROM LADDER: WORKING ON ROSE BUSHES	1
FROM LADDER: TRIMMING TREES	1
FROM PORCH: OLD AGE	2
FROM RETAINING WALL: SLIPPED	1
FROM SHED: SHED COLLAPSED	1
FROM STANDING TRUCK: UNLOADING FURNITURE	1
FROM TREE: PLAYING	1
FROM WINDOW: WHILE PLAYING	1
IN BATHTUB: OLD AGE	1
IN YARD: OLD AGE	13
IN YARD: TRIPPED OVER OBJECT	1
ON DRIVEWAY: OLD AGE	2
OUT OF BED: OLD AGE	1
THROUGH SKYLIGHT: MAKING REPAIRS AT HOME	1
TO FLOOR: ILLNESS	21
TO FLOOR: INTOXICATION	1
TO FLOOR: MENTAL CASE	1
TO FLOOR: OLD AGE	253
TO FLOOR: PUSHED AND KNOCKED DOWN	1
TO FLOOR: SLIPPED ON BATH ROOM FLOOR	1
TO FLOOR: SLIPPED ON RUG	1
TO FLOOR: STEPPED ON WET FLOOR	1
TO FLOOR: TRIPPED OVER OBJECT	9
TO FLOOR: UNKNOWN	2
TO GROUND: INTOXICATION	1
TO GROUND: OLD AGE	7
TO GROUND: TRIPPED OVER HOSE	1
TO GROUND: UNKNOWN	1
TO STREET: EPILEPTIC SEIZURE	1
TO STREET: INTOXICATION	4
TO STREET: KNOCKED DOWN BY BOYS PLAYING	1
TO STREET: OLD AGE	14
TO STREET: TRIPPED ON CURB	1
TO STREET: TRIPPED OVER OBJECT	2
TO STREET: UNKNOWN	3

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FIREARMS:

ACCIDENTAL DISCHARGE OF GUN	5
ACCIDENTAL DISCHARGE OF REVOLVER	3
ACCIDENTAL DISCHARGE OF RIFLE	3
ACCIDENTAL DISCHARGE OF SHOTGUN	2

MISCELLANEOUS ACCIDENTAL FATALITIESCAUSES, CONTINUEDFIREARMS, Cont'd.

PLAYING WITH GUN	1	
PLAYING WITH REVOLVER	1	
SHOT IN ERROR	1	
STRUCK BY RICOCHETED BULLET	1	
WHETHER ACCIDENTAL OR HOMICIDAL UNDETERMINED	1	
WHETHER ACCIDENTAL, HOMICIDAL OR SUICIDAL UNDETERMINED	1	
WOUNDED IN WORLD WAR I - ITALIAN FRONT	<u>1</u>	20

HEAD INJURIES:

BUMPED HEAD ON TABLE	1	
DUE TO FALL	10	
DUE TO FALL DOWN STAIRS	12	
DUE TO FALL DOWN EMBANKMENT	1	
DUE TO FALL FROM BANISTER	1	
DUE TO FALL FROM BED	4	
DUE TO FALL FROM BICYCLE	2	
DUE TO FALL FROM BUILDING	3	
DUE TO FALL FROM LADDER	5	
DUE TO FALL FROM PORCH	1	
DUE TO FALL FROM RETAINING WALL	1	
DUE TO FALL FROM RAILROAD TRESSSEL	1	
DUE TO FALL FROM ROOF	3	
DUE TO FALL FROM STANDING TRUCK	1	
DUE TO FALL FROM SCAFFOLD	1	
DUE TO FALL FROM WINDOW	5	
DUE TO FALL FROM VIADUCT	1	
DUE TO FALL IN BATH TUB	2	
DUE TO FALL ON PORCH	1	
DUE TO FALL TO FLOOR	6	
DUE TO FALL TO SIDEWALK	2	
DUE TO FALL TO STREET	5	
DUE TO FALL TO STREET WHILE INTOXICATED	6	
DUE TO FALL WHEN INTOXICATED	2	
KNOCKED DOWN BY HORSE	1	
PROBABLY A FALL	1	
RUN OVER BY TRACTOR	1	
STRUCK BY PIECE OF BROKEN GRINDSTONE	1	
STRUCK BY PIECE OF LUMBER	1	
STRUCK WITH BALL BAT	1	
THROWN FROM HORSE	4	
UNKNOWN	6	
WHETHER ACCIDENTAL OR HOMICIDAL UNDETERMINED	9	
WHETHER ACCIDENTAL, HOMICIDAL OR SUICIDAL "	4	
WHETHER ACCIDENTAL OR SUICIDAL UNDETERMINED	<u>1</u>	107



# MISCELLANEOUS ACCIDENTAL FATALITIES

## CAUSES, CONTINUED

### INFECTION:

INJURED ANKLE: TETANUS DEVELOPED	1	
INJURED FINGER: TETANUS DEVELOPED	3	
INJURED FOOT: TETANUS DEVELOPED	2	
INJURED HAND: TETANUS DEVELOPED	1	
INJURED HAND: PERITONITIS DEVELOPED	1	
INJURED RECTUM: SEPTICEMIA DEVELOPED	1	
INJURED TOE: SEPTICEMIA DEVELOPED	1	
PUNCTURED FOOT: TETANUS DEVELOPED	1	
SEPTICEMIA: WHETHER ACCIDENTAL, HOMICIDAL OR SUICIDAL UNDETERMINED	1	
STEPPED ON NAIL: TETANUS DEVELOPED	3	
TETANUS: INFECTED HYPODERMIC NEEDLE	1	16

### MISCELLANEOUS:

BABY SWALLOWED SAFETY PIN	1	
BODILY INJURY: FALL DOWN STAIRS	1	
BODILY INJURY: STRUCK BY PIECE OF LUMBER	1	
EKSANGUINATION: FELL ON BROKEN BOTTLE	1	
FRACTURED BACK: FALL FROM GARAGE	1	
FRACTURED BACK: FALL FROM LADDER	1	
FRACTURED BACK: THROWN FROM HORSE	1	
FRACTURED CLAVICAL: DURING BIRTH	1	
FRACTURED LEFT TIBIA: WHETHER ACCIDENTAL OR HOMICIDAL UNDETERMINED	1	
FRACTURED NECK: CAUGHT IN SWING ROOF WHILE PLAYING	1	
FRACTURED RIBS: FALL AGAINST CHAIR	1	
FRACTURED VERTEBRAE: FALL DOWN STAIRS	1	
FRACTURED VERTEBRAE: FALL DOWN STAIRWELL	1	
HANGING: ENTANGLED IN ROPE WHILE PLAYING	1	
HEMORRHAGE: SEVERED UMBILICAL CORD	1	
INGESTION OF IRISH MOSS CONTAINING CLAY	1	
INSULIN SHOCK: OVERDOSE	1	
ILLUMINATING GAS IN CLOSED ROOM	1	
JUMPED FROM WINDOW WHILE INTOXICATED	1	
OBSTRUCTION IN TRACHEA	1	
PERFORATION OF ESOPHAGUS: SWALLOWED CHICKEN BONE	4	
SHOCK: OVERDOSE OF ADRENALIN	1	25

### POISONING:

ALCOHOL: ACCIDENTALLY DRANK ISOPROPY ALCOHOL	1
ALCOHOL: DRANK RUBBING ALCOHOL IN ERROR	1
ALCOHOL AND MIRPHINE: INTOXICATION TREAT- MENT BY DOCTOR	1

MISCELLANEOUS ACCIDENTAL FATALITIESCAUSES, CONTINUEDPOISONING, Cont'd.

AMYTOL: OVERDOSE OF DRUG	2
ARSENIC: ATE FIG LEAVES CONTAINING DRUG	1
ARSENIC: CHILD ATE ANT PASTE	2
ARSENIC: DRANK POISON IN MISTAKE FOR WINE	1
ARSENIC: PLAYING WITH POISON SPRAY GUN	2
ARSENIC: WHETHER ACCIDENTAL, HOMICIDAL OR SUICIDAL UNDETERMINED	1
ASPIRIN: OVERDOSE OF DRUG	1
BARBITAL: OVERDOSE OF DRUG	2
BARBITAL: WHETHER ACCIDENTAL OR SUICIDAL UNDETERMINED	4
BARBITURATE: DRANK IN ERROR WHEN INTOXICATED	1
BARBITURATE: OVERDOSE OF DRUG	4
BARBITURATE: WHETHER ACCIDENTAL OR HOMICIDAL UNDETERMINED	1
BARBITURATE: WHETHER ACCIDENTAL OR SUICIDAL UNDETERMINED	11
BARBITU RATE: WHETHER ACCIDENTAL, HOMICIDAL OR SUICIDAL UNDETERMINED	4
BOTULISM: ATE HOME CANNED FOOD	1
BOTULISM: ATE HOME CANNED PICKLES	1
BOTULISM: ATE HOME CANNED PIGS FEET	1
BROMIDE: OVERDOSE OF DRUG	1
CAMPHOR: BABY DRANK POISON	1
CARBON MONOXIDE: AUTO RUNNING IN CLOSED GARAGE	2
CARBON MONOXIDE: BEDDING IGNITED BY CIGARETTE	1
CARBON MONOXIDE: GAS HEATER IN CLOSED ROOM	18
CARBON MONOXIDE: SMOKE FROM BURNING CABIN	1
CARBON MONOXIDE: SMOKE FROM BURNING FURNITURE	1
CARBON MONOXIDE: SMOKE IN BURNING BOX CAR	1
CARBON MONOXIDE: TRAPPED IN BURNING BUILDING	1
CARBON MONOXIDE: WHETHER ACCIDENTAL OR HOMICIDAL UNDETERMINED	1
CARBON MONOXIDE: WHETHER ACCIDENTAL OR SUICIDAL UNDETERMINED	1
CARBON TETRA CHLORIDE: DRANK IN ERROR	2
CYANIDE: WHETHER ACCIDENTAL OR SUICIDAL UNDETERMINED	1
CYANIDE: WHILE FUMIGATING ROOM	4
KEROSENE: CHILD DRANK IN ERROR	1
LEAD: DRANK POISON IN ERROR	1
MAGNESIUM SULPHATE: ACCIDENTALLY ADMINIS- TERED BY DOCTOR	1
MENTHYL SALICYLATE: DRANK OIL OF WINTER. GREEN IN ERROR	1
MUSHROOM: ATE POISONOUS MUSHROOMS	2



MISCELLANEOUS ACCIDENTAL FATALITIES  
CAUSES, CONTINUED

POISONING, Cont'd.

NEMBUTAL: OVERDOSE OF DRUG	2	
NEMBUTAL: ACCIDENTAL OR HOMICIDAL UNDETERMINED	5	
NEMBUTAL: ACCIDENTAL OR SUICIDAL UNDETERMINED	1	
PARALDEHYDE: ACCIDENTAL OR SUICIDAL UNDETERMINED	1	
PHENOL: ACCIDENTAL OR SUICIDAL UNDETERMINED	1	
PHENOBARBITAL: OVERDOSE	1	
PHENOBARBITAL: ACCIDENTAL OR SUICIDAL UNDETERMINED	6	
SECONAL: ACCIDENTAL OR SUICIDAL UNDETERMINED	2	
SEDORMID: ACCIDENTAL OR SUICIDAL UNDETERMINED	1	
SILVER PHENOL: BABY SPILLED POISON ON SELF	1	
SODIUM AMYTAL: OVERDOSE	1	
SPIRITS OF NITRE: DRANK SOLUTION BY MISTAKE	1	
STRYCHNINE: CHILD TOOK IN ERROR	2	
WOOD ALCOHOL: DRANK IN ERROR	<u>2</u>	112

STRANGULATION:

CAUGHT IN ZIPPER BLANKET	1	
CHOKED ON PORTION OF FOOD	1	
FOOD LODGED IN THROAT	2	
FOREIGN OBJECT IN THROAT	1	
INHALATION OF MUCOUS	2	
ORANGE PEEL LODGED IN THROAT	1	
REGURGITATED FOOD	1	
REGURGITATED MILK	1	
RIVET LODGED IN CHILD'S THROAT	<u>1</u>	11

SUFFOCATION:

BABY LYING ON FACE	2	
BY SLEEPING MOTHER	1	
FACE COVERED WITH BLANKET	9	
FROM ZIPPER BLANKET	1	
FOREIGN OBJECT IN THROAT	1	
FUMES FROM DEFECTIVE GAS VENT	2	
INHALATION OF FOOD	1	
PULLED COVERS OVER HEAD	1	
REGURGITATED FOOD	2	
SMOKE FROM BURNING BUILDING	1	
SMOKE FROM FIRE	1	
SMOTHERED BY BEDDING	4	
SMOTHERED IN BABY BUGGY	1	
TRAPPED IN BURNING BUILDING	2	
UNKNOWN	2	
WHETHER ACCIDENTAL OR HOMICIDAL UNDETERMINED	<u>2</u>	33

UNKNOWN:

WHETHER ACCIDENTAL, HOMICIDAL OR SUICIDAL UNDETER.	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>
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TOTAL

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SUICIDES

JULY	1944	32	
AUGUST	1944	42	
SEPTEMBER	1944	42	
OCTOBER	1944	39	
NOVEMBER	1944	37	
DECEMBER	1944	41	
JANUARY	1945	50	
FEBRUARY	1945	34	
MARCH	1945	54	
APRIL	1945	40	
MAY	1945	48	
JUNE	1945	49	
		TOTAL	<u>508</u>
* * * * *			
MALE		326	
FEMALE		182	
		TOTAL	<u>508</u>
* * * * *			
IN THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES		294	
IN THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES O/S L.A. CITY		214	
		TOTAL	<u>508</u>
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AGES

10	to	20	Years	2	
20	to	45	Years	221	
45	to	65	Years	189	
65	Years and Over			96	
				TOTAL	<u>508</u>

SUICIDES  
NATURE

BURNING		3
CARBON MONOXIDE (AUTO EXHAUST)		33
CUTTING		28
DROWNING		17
ILLUMINATING GAS		21
JUMPING:		
From bridge	8	
From building	38	
From pier	1	
From top of tunnel	1	
Front of street car	3	
Front of train	<u>3</u>	54
LYING ON RAILROAD TRACK		1
POISONING:		
Ammonia	1	
Amytol	5	
Ant Paste	25	
Arsenic	14	
Barbitol	6	
Barbiturate	16	
Bichloride of Mercury	7	
Chloroform	1	
Carbon Monoxide	1	
Cyanide	9	
Fluoride	9	
Formaldehyde	1	
Kerosene	1	
Lye	2	
Lysol	6	
Nembutal	11	
Nicotine	6	
Paris Green	1	
Phenobarbital	3	
Pronto Fly Spray	1	
Seconal	8	
Strychnine	6	
Wood Alcohol	<u>1</u>	141
SHOOTING		139
STRANGULATION		<u>71</u>

TOTAL

508

SUICIDES  
CAUSES

AFTER ARGUMENT WITH NEIGHBOR	1
AFTER COMMITTING MURDER	1
AFTER MURDER OF BABY	1
AFTER MURDER OF MOTHER	1
AFTER MURDER OF WIFE	3
AFTER MURDER OF WIFE AND SON	1
DESPONDENCY	5
DESPONDENCY WHILE DRINKING	1
DOMESTIC DIFFICULTIES	50
FEAR OF BLINDNESS	2
FEAR OF INSANITY	2
FEAR OF PREGNANCY	1
FEAR OF PROSECUTION	10
FINANCIAL DIFFICULTIES	5
GRIEF OVER DEATH OF CHILDREN	1
GRIEF OVER DEATH OF HUSBAND	3
GRIEF OVER DEATH OF MOTHER	3
GRIEF OVER DEATH OF SON	3
GRIEF OVER DEATH OF WIFE	2
GRIEF OVER ILLNESS OF WIFE	1
ILL HEALTH	236
INTOXICATION	10
LOSS OF POSITION	3
LOVE AFFAIR	7
MENTALLY DERANGED	17
TEMPORARILY DERANGED	20
TIRED OF LIFE	1
UNKNOWN	116
WORRY OVER SONS IN ARMY	1
TOTAL	<u>508</u>



HOMICIDES

JULY	1944	16	
AUGUST	1944	14	
SEPTEMBER	1944	13	
OCTOBER	1944	11	
NOVEMBER	1944	13	
DECEMBER	1944	16	
JANUARY	1945	12	
FEBRUARY	1945	10	
MARCH	1945	9	
APRIL	1945	9	
MAY	1945	15	
JUNE	1945	<u>15</u>	
		TOTAL	<u>153</u>

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MALE	119	
FEMALE	<u>34</u>	
	TOTAL	<u>153</u>

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IN THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES	109	
IN THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES O/S L.A.CITY	41	
O/S LOS ANGELES COUNTY: DEATH IN L.A.COUNTY	2	
LOCATION UNKNOWN	<u>1</u>	
	TOTAL	<u>153</u>

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AGES

LESS THAN ONE YEAR	3	
1 to 2 Years	1	
5 to 10 Years	2	
10 to 20 Years	9	
20 to 45 Years	91	
45 to 65 Years	34	
65 Years and Over	<u>13</u>	
	TOTAL	<u>153</u>



HOMICIDES  
NATURE

BABY THROWN FROM WINDOW	1	
BEATEN	1	
FIGHTING	27	
PUSHED OUT OF DOOR	1	
SHOOTING	63	
STABBING	38	
STRANGULATION	8	
STRUCK WITH OBJECT	11	
SUFFOCATION	1	
THROWN THROUGH WINDOW	2	
TOTAL	153	<u>153</u>

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JUSTIFIABLE	31	
UNJUSTIFIABLE	117	
UNINTENTIONAL	2	
UNABLE TO FIX RESPONSIBILITY	2	
UNKNOWN	1	
TOTAL	153	<u>153</u>

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BY A KNOWN PERSON	89	
BY AN UNKNOWN PERSON	27	
BY A HUSBAND	7	
BY AN OFFICER	10	
BY A WIFE	12	
BY A FATHER	3	
BY A MOTHER	3	
BY A SON	1	
BY A DAUGHTER	1	
TOTAL	153	<u>153</u>

HOMICIDESCAUSESJUSTIFIABLE:

DEFENSE OF HOME	2	
DURING ATTEMPTED HOLDUP	1	
DURING ROBBERY	1	
EVADING ARREST	9	
RESISTING ARREST	2	
SELF-DEFENSE	<u>16</u>	31

UNJUSTIFIABLE:

ATTEMPTED TO HOLD ROBBERY SUSPECT	1	
DOMESTIC DIFFICULTIES	18	
DURING ALTERCATION	56	
DURING ATTEMPTED HOLDUP	5	
DURING ROBBERY	7	
INTOXICATION	1	
JEALOUSY	9	
MENTALLY DERANGED	4	
PROBABLY BOYS AT PLAY	1	
PROBABLY CRIMINAL ATTACK	2	
UNWANTED BABY	1	
UNKNOWN	<u>14</u>	119

UNABLE TO FIX RESPONSIBILITY:

	<u>1</u>	1
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UNINTENTIONAL:

SHOOTING AT ESCAPING BANDIT CAR	1	
SHOTGUN ACCIDENTALLY DISCHARGED DURING ALTERCATION	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>

TOTAL

153

ABORTIONS

CRIMINAL BY PHYSICIAN	3	
SELF-INDUCED	2	
UNKNOWN	<u>5</u>	<u>10</u>
TOTAL		

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IN THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES	2	
IN THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES	2	
UNKNOWN LOCATION	<u>6</u>	<u>10</u>
TOTAL		

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MARRIED	7	
SINGLE	<u>3</u>	<u>10</u>
TOTAL		

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AGES

10	to	20	YEARS	3	
20	to	45	YEARS	<u>7</u>	<u>10</u>
TOTAL					

ALCOHOLISM

MALE	28	
FEMALE	<u>9</u>	
TOTAL		<u>37</u>

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IN THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES	31	
IN THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES O/S L.A. CITY	<u>6</u>	
TOTAL		<u>37</u>

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AGES

5 to 10 Years	1	
20 to 45 Years	18	
45 to 65 Years	16	
65 Years and Over	<u>2</u>	
TOTAL		<u>37</u>

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UNKNOWN CAUSES

MALE	15	
FEMALE	<u>8</u>	
TOTAL		<u>23</u>

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IN THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES	15	
IN THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES O/S L.A. CITY	<u>8</u>	
TOTAL		<u>23</u>

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AGES

LESS THAN ONE YEAR	1	
1 to 2 Years	1	
20 to 45 Years	11	
45 to 65 Years	8	
65 Years and Over	1	
UNKNOWN AGE	<u>1</u>	
TOTAL		<u>23</u>

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POSTMORTEM DEGENERATION	7	
UNDETERMINED AFTER PATHOLOGICAL AND TOXICOLOGICAL EXAMINATION	<u>16</u>	
TOTAL		<u>23</u>



AIRPLANE FATALITIES

JULY	1944	0	
AUGUST	1944	0	
SEPTEMBER	1944	1	
OCTOBER	1944	2	
NOVEMBER	1944	0	
DECEMBER	1944	9	
JANUARY	1945	27	
FEBRUARY	1945	0	
MARCH	1945	2	
APRIL	1945	0	
MAY	1945	0	
JUNE	1945	0	
	TOTAL	<u>0</u>	<u>41</u>
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MALE		38	
FEMALE		<u>3</u>	
	TOTAL		<u>41</u>
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IN THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES		10	
IN THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES O/S L.A. CITY		<u>31</u>	
	TOTAL		<u>41</u>
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CO-PILOT		1	
IN HOME		3	
PASSENGER		28	
PILOT		7	
STEWARTESS		1	
TEST PILOT		<u>1</u>	
	TOTAL		<u>41</u>

AIRPLANE FATALITIESCONTINUEDAGES

LESS THAN ONE YEAR	1	
2 to 5 Years	1	
20 to 45 Years	21	
45 to 65 Years	2	
UNKNOWN	<u>16</u>	
	TOTAL	<u><u>41</u></u>

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CAUSES

HOUSE STRUCK BY FALLING PLANE	2	
STRUCK BY FALLING PLANE	1	
UNKNOWN	<u>38</u>	
	TOTAL	<u><u>41</u></u>

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TYPE OF PLANE

ARMY	7	
COMMERCIAL	32	
PLEASURE	<u>2</u>	
	TOTAL	<u><u>41</u></u>

INQUESTS

		<u>CORONER'S INQUEST ROOM</u>	<u>L.A.CITY &amp; COUNTY OUTSIDE INQ.ROOM</u>	<u>TOTALS</u>
JULY	1944	34	42	76
AUGUST	1944	25	53	78
SEPTEMBER	1944	40	41	81
OCTOBER	1944	30	41	71
NOVEMBER	1944	40	51	91
DECEMBER	1944	55	59	114
JANUARY	1945	44	44	88
FEBRUARY	1945	26	50	76
MARCH	1945	33	61	94
APRIL	1945	34	42	76
MAY	1945	29	40	69
JUNE	1945	37	20	57
TOTAL		427	544	971

AUTOPSIES

		<u>CORONER'S MORTUARY</u>	<u>L.A.CITY &amp; CO. O/S MORTUARY</u>	<u>GENERAL HOSPITAL</u>	<u>TOTALS</u>
JULY	1944	142	201	2	345
AUGUST	1944	126	193	59	378
SEPTEMBER	1944	144	178	43	365
OCTOBER	1944	160	190	106	456
NOVEMBER	1944	182	198	81	461
DECEMBER	1944	212	229	61	502
JANUARY	1945	194	234	63	491
FEBRUARY	1945	161	201	53	415
MARCH	1945	179	206	120	505
APRIL	1945	158	153	74	385
MAY	1945	172	198	51	421
JUNE	1945	166	205	13	384
TOTAL		1996	2386	726	5108

MISCELLANEOUS DATA

NUMBER BODIES OF CHILDREN (UNDER 14 YEARS) EMBALMED: NO FEE	158
NUMBER BODIES ASSIGNED TO CO.WELFARE: NO FEE	131
NUMBER BODIES ASSIGNED TO CATH.WELFARE: NO FEE	24
NUMBER OF EMBALMING EXEMPTIONS FOR INDIGENT PERSONS	
UNDER SECTION 4300h OF PENAL CODE OF CALIFORNIA: NO FEE	6
TOTAL NUMBER EMBALMED AT CORONER'S MORTUARY FOR WHICH NO FEES WERE COLLECTED	319
TOTAL NUMBER OF BODIES EMBALMED: FEES COLLECTED	2034
TOTAL NUMBER OF BODIES EMBALMED AT CORONER'S MORTUARY	2353
NUMBER EMBALMED BY UNDERTAKERS BEFORE DELIVERY TO CORONER'S MORTUARY	656
TOTAL NUMBER OF BODIES HANDLED AT CORONER'S MORTUARY	3009
NUMBER OF CORONER'S CASES HANDLED BY LOS ANGELES CITY AND COUNTY UNDERTAKERS O/S CORONER'S MORTUARY	4706
TOTAL NUMBER OF CASES HANDLED BY COUNTY CORONER	7715
JULY 1, 1944 TO JUNE 30, 1945	

NUMBER OF INVESTIGATIONS: NO AUTOPSY	2607
MILES TRAVELED TO CONDUCT INQUESTS AND INVESTIGATIONS	25292
MILES TRAVELED BY SURGEONS TO PERFORM AUTOPSIES AND APPEAR AS WITNESSES	44957
MILES TRAVELED BY AMBULANCES TO TRANSPORT BODIES	9285
NUMBER OF TRANSCRIPTS SOLD	581
NUMBER OF TRANSCRIPTS FILED WITH COUNTY CLERK	971
NUMBER OF TRANSCRIPTS FURNISHED GOVERNMENT AGENCIES: NO FEE	39
NUMBER OF TRANSCRIPTS FURNISHED DISTRICT ATTORNEY	971
TOTAL NUMBER OF TRANSCRIPTS PREPARED	942
NUMBER OF PAGES OF TESTIMONY PREPARED	11518
NUMBER OF VERDICTS OF CORONER AND AUTOPSY FINDINGS	5108
NUMBER OF VERDICTS OF JURIES	971
NUMBER OF JURORS SUMMONED TO SERVE ON CORONER'S INQUESTS	8510
NUMBER OF WITNESSES SUBPOENED TO TESTIFY AT INQUESTS	5534
NUMBER OF ESTATES DELIVERED TO PUBLIC ADMINISTRATOR	153
NUMBER OF CASES REPORTED TO CORONER, DEATH CERTIFICATE SIGNED BY PRIVATE PHYSICIAN: THESE CASES CLASSIFIED "NOT A CORONER'S CASE"	323



SUMMARY OF SCIENTIFIC TESTS

NUMBER OF CASES SUBMITTED TO PATHOLOGICAL LABORATORY	369
NUMBER OF MICROSCOPIC EXAMINATIONS	474
NUMBER OF BACTERIOLOGICAL EXAMINATIONS	19
NUMBER OF BLOOD TESTS FOR CARBON MONOXIDE	62
NUMBER OF GROSS SPECIMENS PREPARED FOR EVIDENCE	45
NUMBER OF CASES SUBMITTED TO TOXICOLOGICAL LABORATORY	1499
NUMBER OF CHEMICAL TESTS NECESSARY FOR ABOVE CASES	6362
NUMBER OF CASES SUBMITTED FOR ALCOHOL DETERMINATION	1247

EXPENDITURESFISCAL YEAR 1944-45

	<u>APPROPRIATION</u>	<u>EXPENDITURES</u>
SALARIES AND WAGES	\$143,036.00	\$142,863.93
MAINTENANCE AND OPERATION	15,342.00	14,914.43
CAPITAL OUTLAY	<u>465.00</u>	<u>365.46</u>
TOTALS	\$158,843.00	\$158,143.82

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REVENUES COLLECTEDFISCAL YEAR 1944 45

EMBALMING FEES	\$30,655.35
SALE OF TRANSCRIPTS	4,151.15
WITNESS FEES	58 40
SHERIFF'S FEES	<u>3.50</u>
TOTAL	\$34,868.40